

B<sup>2</sup> 18. (Twice amended) An intravenous equipment hanger assembly as in claim 1 which includes a plurality of said offset supports, each of said offset supports including a mounting flange leg at its distal end and which is disposed generally parallel to such vertical planar surface of such a partition to which said hanger assembly is attached [said flat mounting portion].

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B<sup>3</sup> 20. (Twice amended) An intravenous equipment hanger assembly as in claim 18 wherein each of said offset supports is a generally L shaped bracket which includes a first leg affixed to and extending generally normal to said pole and a distal leg which extends generally parallel to such vertical planar surface of such a partition to which said hanger assembly is attached [said flat mounting portion].

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B<sup>4</sup> 23. (Twice amended) A method of supporting intravenous infusion equipment for treatment of a patient located in a space defined by vertical partitions, comprising the steps of removably attaching an intravenous support pole to one of said vertical partitions in a generally vertical disposition and generally parallel relation to such partition and spaced from said partition a sufficient distance to accommodate hanging of at least one intravenous fluid container and an intravenous infusion pump on said pole free of engagement of said partition thereby, hanging at least one of an intravenous fluid container and an intravenous pump on said pole, and infusing fluid intravenously from said at least one of said intravenous fluid container and intravenous pump into such a patient when in said space

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B<sup>5</sup> 26. (Amended) A method as in claim 23 which includes the steps of [affixing] pre-mounting a plurality of [support] mounting members to such vertical partitions in multiple locations for so supporting such a pole at each of said locations, [and] removably attaching such an intravenous support pole to one of said [support] mounting members in one location and so infusing fluid from such equipment supported on said pole intravenously into a patient near said one location, detaching said pole from such [support] mounting member in said one location, moving said pole to another of such locations, and removably attaching said pole to the respective [support] mounting member at such another of said locations.

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27. (Amended) A method as in claim 23 including the steps of providing a hanger assembly which includes said pole, [affixing] pre-mounting a plurality of [support] mounting members to such vertical partitions in multiple locations, and removably attaching said hanger assembly to one of said [support] mounting members in one of said locations and so infusing fluid from such equipment supported on said hanger assembly intravenously into a patient near said one location, detaching said hanger assembly from such [support] mounting member in said one location, moving said hanger assembly to another of such locations, and removably attaching said hanger assembly to the respective [support] mounting member at such another of said locations.

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31. (Amended) An intravenous infusion equipment hanger assembly comprising:

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at least one mounting member that includes a [flat] mounting portion attached to a generally vertical partition that defines housing space for a patient and has a generally vertical planar surface, said [flat] mounting portion being disposed in a generally vertical position parallel to said vertical planar surface of said partition and defining a generally vertical first plane parallel to and adjacent said vertical planar surface,

a hanger which includes an elongate pole for supporting an intravenous infusion device, and

at least one offset support engaging and extending laterally from said pole and joined to and extending laterally from said mounting member and supporting said hanger generally parallel to said flat mounting portion with said pole in a generally vertical position generally parallel to said first plane and spaced laterally from said mounting member and from said first plane and from the respective partition surface to accommodate mounting, use and removal [use] of such infusion equipment on said pole.

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32. A method as in claim 27 including the steps of providing said hanger assembly with a downwardly extending support lip, providing each of said mounting members with an upwardly open pocket for receipt therein of said downwardly projecting lip, and engaging said lip in the respective said pocket by downward movement of said hanger when it is desired to support said pole on a respective one of said mounting members at one of said locations, and moving said hanger upward to